

IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

RETURN

OF

PROCEEDINGS

UNDER

"THE LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACTS, 1881 AND 1887;" "THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885-1886;" AND "THE PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885, 1888, AND 1891;" AND "THE REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891,"

DURING THE MONTH OF

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IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

MONTH OF MAY, 1892.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," up to the 31st day of May, 1892; also of Proceedings up to same date, under "The Labourers (Ireland) Acts, 1885-1886," and under "The Purchase of Land (Ireland) Acts, 1885, 1888, and 1891," and "The Redemption of Rent (Ireland) Act, 1891."

COURT OF THE IRISH LAND COMMISSION.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) *In Court.*

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 30th April, 1892,	178,600	178,717	Rents fixed— By Chief Commission to 30th April, 1892,	3,837	3,853
Applications received in month of May, 1892,	117		" in month of May, 1892,	16	
Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 30th April, 1892,	8,493	8,507	By Sub-Commissions to 30th April, 1892,	145,162	145,182
Do. in month of May, 1892,	14		" in month of May, 1892,	270	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 30th April, 1892,	28,512	28,571	Dismissed and struck out— By Chief Commission to 30th April, 1892,	2,184	2,200
Applications received in month of May, 1892,	59		" in month of May, 1892,	6	
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court, transferred from Civil Bill Courts, to 30th April, 1892,	1,251	1,251	By Sub-Commissions to 30th April, 1892,	37,818	37,824
Do. in month of May, 1892,	—		" in month of May, 1892,	70	
Total,	212,046		Withdrawn*— By Chief Commission to 30th April, 1892,	5,014	5,018
			" in month of May, 1892,	2	
			By Sub-Commissions to 30th April, 1892,	8,823	8,830
			" in month of May, 1892,	7	
			Total disposed of,	—	203,125

(b.) *Out of Court.*

Agreements out of Court, in form 83, fixing Fair Rent to 30th April, 1892,	111,591
Do., do. in month of May, 1892,	193
Total,	111,714

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the assent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.*

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.):			Number disposed of to 30th April, 1892, .	1,609
Applications received to 30th April, 1892,	1,322		" in month of May, 1892, .	4
Applications received in month of May, 1892, . . .	3	1,324		
Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Resumption of Holdings, &c.) transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 30th April, 1892, . .	27			
Do. in month of May, 1892,	—	27		
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present tenancies (Form 81) received to 30th April, 1892,	1,095			
Applications in month of May, 1892,	3	1,099		
Total,	—	2,380	Total disposed of,	2,043

* The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, title rent, avoidance of leases, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act, is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTOR TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2.)—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,†	55	Leases or Grants declared void to 30th April, 1892,	22	
		" in month of May, 1892, . . .	—	22
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th April, 1892,	29	
		" in month of May, 1892, . . .	—	29
		Applications withdrawn or compe- romised to 30th April, 1892,	3	
		" in month of May, 1892, . . .	—	3
Total,	55	Total disposed of,	—	54

† The time limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 30th April, 1892,	11	Applications granted to 30th April, 1892,	—	
" in month of May, 1892,	—	" in month of May, 1892, . . .	—	—
" Transferred from Civil Bill Courts to 30th April, 1892,	3	Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th April, 1892,	9	
" in month of May, 1892,	—	" in month of May, 1892, . . .	—	9
		Applications withdrawn to 30th April, 1892,	3	
		" in month of May, 1892, . . .	—	3
Total,	—	Total disposed of,	—	12

V.—PROCEEDINGS UNDER THE LABOURERS (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885—1886.

Applications received to 30th April, 1892,	3,103	Rents fixed to 30th April, 1892,	2,602	
" " in May, 1892,	68	" " in May, 1892,	27	
		Applications dismissed, struck out, and withdrawn to 30th April, 1892,		2,629
		" " in May, 1892,	312	
			2	314
Total,	3,151	Total disposed of,	—	2,943

VI.—APPEALS re FAIR RENTS, &c.

Number of Appeals lodged to 30th April, 1892,	39,683	Number heard to 30th April, 1892,	17,204	
" " in month of May, 1892,	116	" " in month of May, 1892,	245	17,449
		Number dismissed or struck out to 30th April, 1892,	*1,076	
		" " in month of May, 1892,	—	
			1,070	
		Deduct cases reinstated to 31st May, 1892,	275	801
		Number withdrawn to 30th April, 1892,	16,768	
		" " in month of May, 1892,	36	16,804
		Total Number disposed of,	—	32,054
		Remaining to be disposed of,	—	4,145
Total,	39,199	Total,	—	39,199

* In 415 cases the Notices were struck out because wages were not lodged as required by Rule 74, and in 431 cases because the Notices were not duly stamped. Of the former 68 cases, and of the latter 112 cases, were reinstated.

VII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACTS, 1885 AND 1886.

	Number.	Amount.
Loans applied for to 30th April, 1892,	20,335	£ 11,378,932
" " in May, 1892,	—	—
	20,335	11,378,932
Deduct Applications refused,	2,571	1,090,510
	20,464	10,378,422
Loans sanctioned to 30th April, 1892,	23,547	9,366,405
" " in May, 1892,	125	52,384
	23,972	9,420,779
Loans issued to 30th April, 1892,	18,674	7,575,270
" " in May, 1892,	168	74,367
	18,842	7,649,637

VIII.—PURCHASE OF LAND (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

	Number.	Amount.
		£
Loans applied for to 30th April, 1892,	756	357,303
" in May, 1892,	149	47,861
" in cases of Purchase of Estates to 30th April, 1892,	512	107,324
" " " in May, 1892,	35	6,427
	1,452	521,815
Deduct applications and offers for Purchase of Estates refused,	269	74,074
	1,183	447,739
Loans sanctioned to 30th April, 1892,	197	74,511
" in May, 1892,	120	45,892
" in cases of Purchase of Estates to 30th April, 1892,	54	9,994
" " " in May, 1892,	—	—
	353	130,397
Loans issued to 30th April, 1892,	3	2,025
" in May, 1892,	3	2,000
" for Purchase of Estates to 30th April, 1892,	—	—
" " " in May, 1892,	24	2,617
	30	7,242

IX.—REDEMPTION OF RENT (IRELAND) ACT, 1891.

Applications received to 30th April, 1892,	478	Consents to Redemption of Rent received and cases treated as Agreements to Purchase to 30th April, 1892,	75	
" in May, 1892,	13	" in May, 1892,	3	78
		Consents not received and cases treated as Applications to fix Fair Rents * to 30th April, 1892,	286	
		" in May, 1892,	47	333
		Number of cases dismissed to 30th April, 1892,	3	
		" in May, 1892,	3	6
		Number of cases struck out and withdrawn to 30th April, 1892,	5	
		" in May, 1892,	1	6
Total,	491	Total disposed of,	—	423

* Applications treated as Fair Rent cases are also included in Fair Rent Table (a), page 3.

CIVIL BILL COURTS.

MONTH OF MAY, 1892.

Summary of Proceedings under "The Land Law (Ireland) Acts, 1881 and 1887," as notified to the Irish Land Commission, up to the 31st day of May, 1892.

I.—FAIR RENT.

(a.) In Court.

Applications under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1881," to have Fair Rents fixed in Court to 30th April, 1892,	25,973		Rents fixed to 30th April, 1892,	14,072	
Applications received in month of May, 1892,	69		" in month of May, 1892,	134	
		26,041	Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th April, 1892,	2,863	14,206
Applications by Leaseholders under "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," to have Fair Rents fixed to 30th April, 1892,	3,602		" in month of May, 1892,	14	
Applications received in month of May, 1892,	8		Applications withdrawn* to 30th April, 1892,	303	2,877
		3,610	" in month of May, 1892,	2	
Applications to fix Fair Rents in Civil Bill Courts under sec. 6 "Land Law (Ireland) Act, 1887," when an ejectment is pending, to 30th April, 1892,	2,014		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 30th April, 1892,	9,744	304
Applications received in month of May, 1892,	9		" in month of May, 1892,	14	
		2,023			9,758
Total,	—	31,874	Total disposed of,	—	27,145

(b.) Out of Court.

Agreements out of Court, in Form No. 33, fixing Fair Rent to 30th April, 1892,	7,101
Do, do, in month of May, 1892,	—
Total,	7,101

* An application to fix a Fair Rent cannot be withdrawn without the consent of both Landlord and Tenant, and it may be inferred, where applications for leave to withdraw are made, that a rent has been agreed upon between the parties.

II.—MISCELLANEOUS ORIGINATING NOTICES.†

Miscellaneous Originating Notices (e.g., Sale of Tenancies and Redemption of Holdings, &c.): Applications received to 30th April, 1892,	446		Number disposed of to 30th April, 1892,	190	
Applications received in month of May, 1892,	—		" in month of May, 1892,	2	
		446	Transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 30th April, 1892,	27	192
Applications by Leaseholders to be declared Tenants of present Tenancies (Form 81) received to 30th April, 1892,	3		Transferred in month of May, 1892,	—	
Applications received in month of May, 1892,	—				27
		3			
Total,	—	449	Total disposed of,	—	219

† The first notice of application to the Court, seeking its decision upon the true value of a tenancy, the rent, and the nature of interest, or any other question which the Court has jurisdiction to decide under the Act is termed an Originating Notice.

III.—APPLICATIONS BY LESSEE OR GRANTEE TO HAVE LEASE OR GRANT EXECUTED SINCE 1ST JANUARY, 1869, DECLARED VOID ("LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887,"—SEC. 2).—FORM 80.

Number of Applications received to 23rd February, 1888,*	6	Leases or Grants declared void to 30th April, 1892,	—	
		" in month of May, 1892,	—	
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th April, 1892,	6	
		" in month of May, 1892,	—	6
		Applications withdrawn or compromised to 30th April, 1892,	—	
		" in month of May, 1892,	—	
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 30th April, 1892,	—	
		" in month of May, 1892,	—	
Total,	6	Total disposed of,	—	6

* The class limited in the Act for lodging an Application of this kind expired on the 23rd February, 1888.

IV.—APPLICATIONS BY MIDDLEMAN CLAIMING TO BE ENTITLED TO SURRENDER HIS HOLDING UNDER SEC. 8 OF "LAND LAW (IRELAND) ACT, 1887."—FORM 83.

Number of Applications received to 30th April, 1892,	29	Applications granted to 30th April, 1892,	3	
" in month of May, 1892,	—	" in month of May, 1892,	—	3
		Applications dismissed or struck out to 30th April, 1892,	4	
		" in month of May, 1892,	—	4
		Applications withdrawn to 30th April, 1892,	1	
		" in month of May, 1892,	—	1
		Applications transferred to Irish Land Commission Court to 30th April, 1892,	3	
		" in month of May, 1892,	—	3
Total,	29	Total disposed of,	—	11

Irish Land Commission, }
14th June, 1892.

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